

MINUTES
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 27, 2023, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, Administration, 8603 E. Eastridge Drive, Prescott Valley

In-Person Attendance

Dave Dobbs; Denise Krizo; Gayle Pickett; Matt Zurcher; Rick Anderson; Susanne Dixon

Remote Attendance

Lorette Stewart; Nicolas Cornelius; Scott A Freitag

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Zurcher called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Zurcher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Letters from the Public and Board Recognition

Chair Zurcher read an email message he received on Thanksgiving morning regarding a call for Station 54.

4. REPORTS

A. Board Member Reports

Chair Zurcher commented that he did a ride-along with Station 62, and stated the new engines are very nice to ride in.

B. Division Reports

Chief Freitag reminded the board that both he and Chief Niemynski are in Phoenix at the hearing for the Ambulance Certificate of Necessity (CON) for the next two weeks.

Chief Rose stated that we had a fatality fire last night. Our crews did a phenomenal job assisting the Medical Examiner with extricating the body of the deceased.

Chief Merrill reported that the recruits have completed their State testing, written and practical exams, with all passing. The academy graduation is set for 6 p.m. on December 28, 2023 at CARTA. An invitation will be sent out closer to the date.

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Regular Session Minutes - October 23, 2023
- B. Approve Executive Session Minutes - October 23, 2023
- C. Approve General Fund Financial Statements
- D. Approve Fire Protection Agreements: Brandt, Gozdecki, Huckaby

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Move: Gayle Pickett Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

7. VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session at 5:05 p.m.

Move: Rick Anderson Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

- A. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) Regarding Ambulance Certificate of Necessity (CON) Resolution 2023-04
- B. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) Regarding Lawsuit Filed by Alvin R. Yount
- C. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) Regarding AMR Litigation Matter
- D. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7) Regarding the Purchase of Property for Future Fire Station, APN 103-52-834, in the Amount of \$1,200,000
- E. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(3) Regarding Dave Tharp

8. OLD BUSINESS

Open meeting reconvened at 5:53 p.m.

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Ambulance Certificate of Necessity (CON) Resolution 2023-04

Attorney Cornelius directed staff to produce and post a revised agenda to specifically include the resolution before the Board. Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to proceed as discussed pursuant to legal advice provided in executive session.

Motion to approve Ambulance Certificate of Necessity Resolution 2023-04.

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Gayle Pickett Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Lawsuit Filed by Alvin R. Yount

Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to proceed as discussed pursuant to legal advice provided in executive session.

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding AMR Litigation Matter

Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to proceed as discussed pursuant to legal advice provided in executive session.

D. Discussion and Possible Approval to Purchase Property for Future Fire Station, APN 103-52-834, in the Amount of \$1,200,000

Motion to approve purchase of property for future fire station, APN 103-52-834, in the amount of \$1,200,000 from the contingency fund.

Move: Rick Anderson Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

E. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Dave Tharp

Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to proceed as discussed pursuant to legal advice provided in executive session.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding 2024 Arizona Mutual Aid Compact

Chief Freitag stated that this is an update to the standard compact that we have with the State for mutual aid. Attorney Cornelius concurred.

Motion to approve the 2024 Arizona Mutual Aid Compact.

Move: Gayle Pickett Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

B. Discussion and Possible Approval to Purchase Two (2) Stryker Cardiac Monitors in the Amount of \$78,028.58

Chief Niemynski clarified that this is a budgeted item, but still requires board approval due to the purchase amount. Chief Rose added that we had budgeted \$75,000; we will have to expend the additional \$3,028.58 from contingency funds. Due to rising costs, the amount will be adjusted more accordingly in the next budget.

Motion to approve the purchase of two (2) Stryker Cardiac Monitors in the amount of \$78,028.58.

Move: Rick Anderson Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

- C. Discussion and Possible Approval of Agreement with Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for Use of Emergency Vehicle Pre-Emption (EVP) Devices Installed on Traffic Signals within CAFMA's Jurisdiction

Chief Rose advised that we have been working through this contract for approximately eight (8) months. Attorney Cornelius has reviewed it and we are ready to execute the agreement as both sides are in agreement.

Motion to approve the agreement with Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for use of Emergency Vehicle Pre-Emption (EVP) devices installed on traffic signal with CAFMA's jurisdiction.

Move: Gayle Pickett Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

- D. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Sale of Four Vehicles to the Mayer Fire District in the Amount of \$62,000

Chief Rose stated that we have two type-1 engines, and two F-150 trucks that were scheduled to be surplus. Fleet Manager Domenic Scaife did the research to determine a fair value. Chief Rose further explained that Mayer Fire is listed as the purchaser, however they have a joint management agreement with the Williamson Valley-Bagdad fire district, and now that Williamson Valley-Bagdad is a recognized fire district, they are the official purchaser. The vehicle package was approved for purchase by their board.

Motion to approve the sale of four (4) vehicles to the Williamson Valley-Bagdad Fire District in the amount of \$62,000.00.

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Gayle Pickett Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

- E. Discussion and Possible Approval to Transfer \$1,607,308 Received from ARPA Funds to Capital Reserve Account

Chief Rose requested that the funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account.

Motion to approve the transfer of \$1,607,308.00 received from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the Capital Reserve Account.

Move: Gayle Pickett Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:07 p.m.

Move: Rick Anderson Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

Signature indicating approval on next page.

**Signature Page For: For Signature 2023 11 27 CEA Regular Minutes - Approved - Central Arizona
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Dobbs', written over a horizontal line.

Dave Dobbs , Clerk 12/19/2023